

Murphy, Patrick	Roskam	Sullivan
Murphy, Tim	Ross	Sutton
Murtha	Rothman	Tancredo
Musgrave	Roybal-Allard	Tanner
Myrick	Royce	Tauscher
Nadler	Ruppersberger	Taylor
Napolitano	Ryan (OH)	Terry
Neal (MA)	Ryan (WI)	Thompson (CA)
Neugebauer	Salazar	Thompson (MS)
Nunes	Sánchez, Linda	Sali
Oberstar	T.	Tiahrt
Obey	Sanchez, Loretta	Tiberi
Olver	Sanbanes	Tierney
Ortiz	Saxton	Towns
Pallone	Saxton	Tsongas
Pascarell	Scalise	Turner
Pastor	Schakowsky	Udall (NM)
Payne	Schiff	Upton
Pearce	Schmidt	Van Hollen
Pence	Schwartz	Velázquez
Perlmutter	Scott (GA)	Visclosky
Peterson (MN)	Scott (VA)	Walberg
Peterson (PA)	Sensenbrenner	Walden (OR)
Petri	Serrano	Walsh (NY)
Pickering	Sestak	Walz (MN)
Pitts	Shadegg	Wamp
Platts	Shays	Wasserman
Poe	Shea-Porter	Schultz
Pomeroy	Sherman	Waters
Porter	Shimkus	Watson
Price (GA)	Shuler	Watt
Price (NC)	Shuster	Waxman
Radanovich	Simpson	Weiner
Rahall	Sires	Welch (VT)
Ramstad	Skelton	Weldon (FL)
Rangel	Slaughter	Weller
Regula	Smith (NE)	Westmoreland
Rehberg	Smith (NJ)	Wexler
Reichert	Smith (TX)	Whitfield (KY)
Renzi	Smith (WA)	Wilson (OH)
Reyes	Snyder	Wilson (SC)
Reynolds	Solis	Wittman (VA)
Richardson	Souder	Wolf
Rodriguez	Space	Woolsey
Rogers (AL)	Speler	Wu
Rogers (KY)	Spratt	Wynn
Rogers (MI)	Stark	Yarmuth
Rohrabacher	Stearns	Young (AK)
Ros-Lehtinen	Stupak	Young (FL)

NOT VOTING—30

Andrews	Gillibrand	McMorris
Blumenauer	Gordon	Rodgers
Crenshaw	Gutierrez	Paul
Davis (IL)	Hulshof	Pryce (OH)
Davis, Tom	Israel	Putnam
Diaz-Balart, L.	Johnson (IL)	Rush
Diaz-Balart, M.	Jones (OH)	Sessions
Dingell	Kennedy	Udall (CO)
Engel	Kingston	Wilson (NM)
Ferguson	Lynch	
Gilchrest	Matheson	

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So (two-thirds being in the affirmative) the rules were suspended and the bill, as amended, was passed.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE CLERK OF THE HOUSE

The SPEAKER laid before the House the following communication from the Clerk of the House of Representatives:

OFFICE OF THE CLERK,
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
Washington, DC, May 15, 2008.

Hon. NANCY PELOSI,
Speaker, House of Representatives,
Washington, DC.

DEAR MADAM SPEAKER: I have the honor to transmit herewith a facsimile copy of a letter received from Ms. Linda Dixon Rigsby, Assistant Secretary of State for Elections, State of Mississippi, indicating that, according to the unofficial returns of the Special Election held May 13, 2008, the Honorable Travis Childers was elected Representative to Congress for the First Congressional District, State of Mississippi.

With best wishes, I am
Sincerely,

LORRAINE C. MILLER,
Clerk.

Enclosure.

STATE OF MISSISSIPPI,
SECRETARY OF STATE,
Jackson, MS, May 15, 2008.

Re unofficial results—First Congressional special runoff election

LORRAINE C. MILLER,
Clerk, House of Representatives,
The Capitol, Washington, DC.

DEAR MS. MILLER: Per your request, enclosed please find a copy of unofficial results for the Special Runoff Election held on Tuesday, May 13, 2008, for Representative in Congress from the First Congressional District of Mississippi. To the best of our knowledge and belief at this time, there is no challenge or recount to this election.

As soon as the official results are certified to this office by all counties involved, an official Certificate of Election will be prepared for transmittal as required by law.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please call me at (601) 359-6340; or Phoebe Spencer, Director of Elections Administration at (601) 359-6355. Thank you.

Sincerely,
LINDA DIXON RIGSBY,
Assistant Secretary of State for Elections.

SWEARING IN OF THE HONORABLE TRAVIS CHILDERS, OF MISSISSIPPI, AS A MEMBER OF THE HOUSE

Mr. TAYLOR. Madam Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that the gentleman from Mississippi, the Honorable TRAVIS CHILDERS, be permitted to take the oath of office today.

His certificate of election has not arrived, but there is no contest and no question has been raised with regard to his election.

The SPEAKER. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Mississippi?

There was no objection.

The SPEAKER. Will the Representative-elect and the members of the Mississippi delegation present themselves in the well.

Mr. CHILDERS appeared at the bar of the House and took the oath of office, as follows:

Do you solemnly swear or affirm that you will support and defend the Constitution of the United States against all enemies, foreign and domestic; that you will bear true faith and allegiance to the same; that you take this obligation freely, without any mental reservation or purpose of evasion; and that you will well and faithfully discharge the duties of the office on which you are about to enter, so help you God.

The SPEAKER. Congratulations. You are now a Member of the 110th Congress.

WELCOMING THE HONORABLE TRAVIS CHILDERS TO THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The SPEAKER. Without objection, the gentleman from Mississippi (Mr. TAYLOR) is recognized for 1 minute.

There was no objection.

Mr. TAYLOR. Madam Speaker, as dean of the Mississippi congressional delegation, I am very, very happy to introduce to the House today the House's newest Member, TRAVIS CHILDERS.

TRAVIS went to work when he was 16 years old following the death of his father. He worked in a local convenience store to help put himself through school and take care of his family. He attended Northeast Mississippi Junior College and graduated from the University of Mississippi. He is a successful realtor, and has served as the Chancery Clerk of Prentiss County for 16 years. He is married to the former Tami Gibson, and the couple has two children, Dustin, a first-year law student at Mississippi College, and Lauren, a freshman at Ole Miss. TRAVIS has been elected four times in the span of 63 days.

He follows in the footsteps of the longest serving Member of Congress, Mr. Jamie Whitten, who used to sit right there, and, most recently, Mississippi's newest Senator, ROGER WICKER.

On behalf of the people of Mississippi, on behalf of this Congress, we welcome Mississippi's newest Representative, TRAVIS CHILDERS.

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Mr. CHILDERS. Madam Speaker, my fellow colleagues, thank you for your warm welcome today. It has seemed like a long time in 63 days.

I want to especially thank Congressman TAYLOR, Congressman THOMPSON for your great help in my campaign. Congressman PICKERING, I'm sad that you're leaving us. You all have been so, so very kind to me.

First I want to thank God today that I'm standing here. I thank my community in North Mississippi and the people of the First Congressional District of Mississippi who are some of the finest people in the world. I am humbled by the trust that they've placed in me. I am grateful for their support, and I am forever committed to working for the people of North Mississippi every single day.

I thank my wife of 27 years for standing beside me and again, being a great part of the reason that we are standing in this wonderful place today. And then our two fine children, Dustin and Lauren, for standing by me and their mother.

I want to thank my mother, who's in the gallery today, who always believed in me.

I want to thank every person who had a part of my life, and there have been so many and I wish I could introduce you to them, but that's not possible.

I wish my wonderful grandparents and my father and my sister could be here.

I want to let everyone here know that I'm ready to roll up my sleeves and get to work. The campaign is one